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**NOVEMBER 11, 2005**

# HSL-37 returns

Lance Cpl. Roger L. Nelsor



# Motivated Lava Dogs tackle 15-mile hump

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*See TREE, A-7*



## NEWS BRIEFS

### Memorial Service for 'Oldest' Marine

A memorial service for former Marine Vivian L. Thompson, 94, who passed away in Kaneohe on Nov. 4, will be held at Pohai Nani Good Samaritan Retirement Community, 45-090 Namoku St., in Kaneohe, Tuesday, at 3:30 p.m. Thompson, who served in the Corps during World War II (1943-1945) had been hailed for the past three years at Marine Corps Base Hawaii's Marine Corps Birthday celebrations as the oldest Marine present.

Those interested in attending the memorial service may call Mrs. Davis at 262-5886.

### Base Safety to Check Child Seats

Base Safety will be inspecting child restraint seats on Nov. 19 at the Mokapu Mall from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Technicians will check the car seats to ensure that they are correctly installed. Parents wishing to take advantage of the inspection are invited to participate in this twice-a-year event.

For parents who are not able to attend the Nov. 19 inspection, contact Maria Giovanetty at 257-1830 to set up an appointment to have your child's vehicle safety seat checked to ensure that it is properly installed.

### PWMA Continues to Accept Brick Orders

Orders for inscribed/personalized bricks, to be placed in the Pacific War Memorial's "Walkway of Honor," which is located near the Main/H-3 Gate entrance to MCB Hawaii, Kaneohe Bay, may be made now through the end of December.

More information is available from the Pacific War Memorial Association by calling 533-3759, or online at [www.pacificwarmemorial.org](http://www.pacificwarmemorial.org).

### UH Warriors to Hold Military Appreciation Night

The University of Hawaii will extend a buy-one, get-one-free discount to all armed services members with a valid ID card, including family members, for the UH Military Appreciation night game, Nov. 12, against Utah State.

This offer is available at the Stan Sheriff Center and Aloha Stadium Box offices only and applies only to presale purchases in certain seating sections.

Only one discount purchase per ID card will be allowed.

Service members will be honored during a special presentation.

### Post Office Extends Hours Starting Dec. 5

The Base Post Office will have extended hours from Dec. 5 to 23 for the holiday season. Beginning Dec. 5, the Base Post Office will be open from 8 a.m. to 6:30 p.m., Monday through Friday and 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturdays.

The Base Post Office will be open Dec. 24 for parcel pickup only.

For more information, contact the Base Post Office at 257-2008.

### HI 5c Redemption Site

HI 5c redemption services are available from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. every Friday in the parking lot across from the PX Annex. Separate glasses, cans and plastic and remove lids before redeeming recyclables.

For more information, call Jim Sibert, Base Recycling at 257-4300.

### Important Phone Numbers

On-Base Emergencies	911
Military Police	257-7114
Child Protective Service	832-5300
Fraud, Waste, Abuse & EEO	257-8852
Business Management Hotline	257-3188
Boothole & Streetlight Repair	257-2380
Base Information	449-7110

### Correction

In the Nov. 4 issue of Hawaii Marine, in the front-page story, "Base Facilities lights up Mokapu Mall," the phone number listed for Base Facilities Department is incorrect. The correct phone number is 257-2171, ext. 255.

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### Gen. John A. Lejeune's Birthday Message (1921)



On November 10, 1775, a Corps of Marines was created by a resolution of the Continental Congress. Since that date, many thousands men have borne the name Marine. In memory of them, it is fitting that we who are Marines should commemorate the Birthday of our Corps by calling to mind the glories of its long and illustrious history.

The record of our Corps is one which will bear comparison with that of the most famous military organizations in the world's history. During 90 of the 146 years of its existence, the Marine Corps has been in action against the Nation's foes. From the Battle of Trenton to the Argonne, Marines have won foremost honors in war and in the long era of tranquility at home. Generation after generation of Marines have grown gray in war in both hemispheres and in every corner of the seven seas [so] that our country and its citizens might enjoy peace and security.

In every battle and skirmish since the birth of our Corps, Marines have acquitted themselves with the greatest distinction, winning new honors on each occasion until the term "Marine" has come to signify all that is highest in military efficiency and soldierly virtue.

This high name of distinction and soldierly repute we who are Marines today have received from those who preceded us in the Corps. With it we also received from them the eternal spirit which has animated our Corps from generation to generation and has been the distinguishing mark of the Marines in every age. So long as that spirit continues to flourish, Marines will be found equal to every emergency in the future as they have been in the past, and the men of our Nation will regard us as worthy successors to the long line of illustrious men who have served as "Soldiers of the Sea" since the founding of the Corps.

### The Commandant of the Marine Corps' 2005 Birthday Message



On November 10, 1775, the Second Continental Congress resolved to raise two battalions of Continental Marines marking the birth of our United States Marine Corps. As Major General Lejeune's message reminds us, the ensuing generations of Marines would come to signify all that is highest in warfighting excellence and military virtue. Each November as Marines the world over celebrate the birth of our Corps, we pay tribute to that long line of "Soldiers of the Sea" and the illustrious legacy they have handed down to us.

This past year has been one of continuous combat operations overseas and distinguished service here at home — a year of challenges that have brought out the very best in our Corps. In Iraq and Afghanistan, Marine courage and mastery of complex and chaotic environments have truly made a difference in the lives of millions. Marine compassion and flexibility provided humanitarian assistance to thousands in the wake of the South East Asian tsunami, and here at home, Marines with AAVs, helicopters, and sometimes with their bare hands saved hundreds of our own fellow Americans in the wake of Hurricanes Katrina and Rita. Across the full spectrum of operations, you have showcased that Marines create stability in an unstable world, and have reinforced our Corps' reputation for setting the standard of excellence.

The sense of honor, courage, and patriotism that epitomized those who answered that first call to arms two hundred and thirty years ago is still indelibly imprinted on our ranks today. In commemorating our anniversary, let us strengthen our ties to the past by paying homage to those who have gone before us. As we honor the sacrifices of our wounded and fallen comrades, our commitment to one another remains unshakable. We take special pride in the actions of the Marines now serving in harm's way, and rededicate ourselves to the service of our Nation and our Corps.

Happy Birthday, Marines. Semper Fidelis, and Keep Attacking!

M.W. Hagee  
General, U.S. Marine Corps

# 21-gun salute honors fallen

Compiled by the Public Affairs Staff

Marine Corps Base Hawaii, Kaneohe Bay

A centuries old tradition of firing gun salutes from ships to officials ashore was adopted by the American Navy from a variation of gun salutes developed by the British Navy.

Initially, the tradition began as a custom among ships, whose captains had volleys fired upon entering a friendly port to release its arsenal which demonstrated that the ship was unarmed. This custom was eventually adopted by the British navy whose ships fired seven-gun salutes, choosing the number seven because it was thought to be the luckiest of the odd numbers.

Fort's ashore that were fortified with a more substantial arsenal, after hearing the seven-gun salutes, returned three times the number of salutes.

As time went on, gun salutes continued to be fired in odd numbers, due to the fact that ancient superstitions held that uneven numbers were lucky. Even as far back as 1865, firing of

See SALUTE, A-7

## New memorial to honor USS Arizona Marines

Seventy-three Marines who died at Pearl Harbor on Dec. 7, 1941, are being honored in a ceremony, Monday, at the Pearl Harbor Visitor Center.

During the 11 a.m. ceremony, a new flagstaff and display of bronze plaques will be dedicated to the memory of the fallen members of the USS Arizona's Marine detachment.

The event organizers — a group of dedicated and patriotic Americans, all veterans, and, many, former Marines — began their efforts this past year by forming a non-profit organization, called "The Pearl Harbor Fund." The construction and unveiling of the new 36-foot tall flagstaff, in a newly landscaped area between the USS Arizona Visitors Center and the USS Bowfin Memorial, is the non-profit's first project. Special guest at the ceremony

will be Gen. Michael W. Hagee, current and 33rd Commandant of the United States Marine Corps. Guest of honor will be retired Marine Col. John H. Earle Jr. of Honolulu, who was one of the few Marines of the USS Arizona detachment to survive the Dec. 7, 1941 attack. The other surviving Marine, former Pfc. Lamar S. Crawford, of Tyler, Texas, sent his regrets.

A Marine Corps color guard and rifle detail will be provided for the event by 3rd Marine Regiment, 3rd Marine Division, III Marine Expeditionary Force, Hawaii. Additional details about the ceremony are available on the Pearl Harbor Visitor Center Web site, at [www.pearlharborvisitorcenter.com](http://www.pearlharborvisitorcenter.com), or by calling retired Marine Col. John R. Bates at 546-1942.



## Weekend weather outlook

Today



**Day** — mostly cloudy becoming partly cloudy; isolated morning rain showers with visibility temporarily reduced to 6 miles; easterly winds at 9 to 11 mph with gusts to 17 mph

**Night** — evening rain showers; easterly winds at 7 to 11 mph

**High — 81**  
**Low — 76**

Saturday



**Day** — partly cloudy; windward showers; easterly winds at 7 to 11 mph with gusts of 14 mph

**Night** — mostly cloudy; temporarily reduced visibility in isolated showers; east-south easterly winds at 9 to 14 mph with gusts of 20 mph

**High — 81**  
**Low — 77**

Sunday



**Day** — partly to mostly cloudy with rain showers along the mountains extending on to base; easterly winds at 7 to 11 mph

**Night** — mostly clear; winds light and variable

**High — 82**  
**Low — 76**

# Remembering the fallen

Names in blue represent MCB Hawaii-based service members.

### Operation Enduring Freedom — Marine Corps

**Capt. Matthew W. Bancroft**, 29, Shasta, Calif., Jan. 9, 2002, Pakistan

**Lance Cpl. Bryan P. Bertrand**, 23, Coos Bay, Ore., Jan. 9, 2002, Pakistan

**Gunnery Sgt. Stephen L. Bryson**, 35, Montgomery, Ala., Jan. 9, 2002, Pakistan

**Gunnery Sgt. Theodore Clark Jr.**, 31, Emporia, Va., Aug. 4, 2005, Afghanistan

**Staff Sgt. Walter F. Cohee III**, 26, Wicomico, Md., Jan. 20, 2002, Afghanistan

**Pfc. James R. Dillon Jr.**, 19, Grove City, Pa., March 13, 2003, Iraq

**Lance Cpl. Phillip C. George**, 22, Houston, Texas, Aug. 18, 2005, Afghanistan

**Staff Sgt. Scott N. Germosen**, 37, Queens, N.Y., Jan. 9, 2002, Pakistan

**Sgt. Nathan P. Hays**, 21, Lincoln, Wash., Jan. 9, 2002, Pakistan

**Lance Cpl. Kevin B. Joyce**, 19, Ganado, Ariz., June 25, 2005, Afghanistan

**Lance Cpl. Nicholas C. Kirven**, 21, Richmond, Va., May 8, 2005, Afghanistan

**Sgt. James S. Lee**, 26, Mt. Vernon, Ind., April 6, 2005, Afghanistan

**Pfc. Daniel B. McClenney**, 19, Shelbyville, Tenn., June 24, 2004, Afghanistan

**Capt. Daniel G. McCollum**, 29, Richmond, S.C., Jan. 9, 2002, Pakistan

**Capt. Seth R. Michael**, 27, Hudson, Mass., June 6, 2003, Djibouti

**Staff Sgt. Dwight J. Morgan**, 24, Mendocino, Calif., Jan. 20, 2002, Afghanistan

**Lance Cpl. Ryan J. Nass**, 21, Franklin, Wis., Sept. 3, 2005, Afghanistan

**Cpl. Ronald R. Payne Jr.**, 23, Lakeland, Fla., May 8, 2004, Afghanistan

**Cpl. Richard P. Schoener**, 22, Hayes, La., May 8, 2005, Afghanistan

**Lance Cpl. Antonio J. Sledd**, 20, Tampa, Fla., October 8, 2002, Kuwait

**Lance Cpl. Justin T. Thacker**, 21, Bluefield, W.Va., June 24, 2004, Afghanistan

**Lance Cpl. Steven A. Valdez**, 20, McRea, Ark., Sept. 26, 2005, Afghanistan

**Lance Cpl. Russell P. White**, 19, Dagsboro, Del., June 20, 2004, Afghanistan

**Sgt. Jeannette L. Winters**, 25, Du Page, Ill., Jan. 9, 2002, Pakistan



Courtesy of Cpl. Nick Collier

Lance Cpl. Nick Kirven (left) and Cpl. Ricky Schoener, were killed in action, May 8, while serving with 3rd Battalion, 3rd Marine Regiment, in Operation Enduring Freedom.

### Operation Enduring Freedom — Navy

**Petty Officer 2nd Class Matthew G. Axelson**, 29, Cupertino, Calif., July 10, 2005, Afghanistan

**Chief Petty Officer Matthew J. Bourgeois**, 35, Tallahassee, Fla., March 27, 2002, Afghanistan

**Fireman Apprentice Bryant L. Davis**, 20, Chicago, Ill., Nov. 7, 2001, Arabian Sea

**Petty Officer 2nd Class Danny P. Dietz**, 25, Littleton, Colo., June 28, 2005, Afghanistan

**Chief Petty Officer Jacques J. Fontan**, 36, New Orleans, La., June 28, 2005, Afghanistan

**Senior Chief Petty Officer Daniel R. Healy**, 36, Exeter, N.H., June 28, 2005, Afghanistan

**Petty Officer 1st Class Thomas C. Hull**, 41, Princeton, Ill., Aug. 2, 2005, Arabian Gulf, noncombat incident

**Fireman Apprentice Michael J. Jakes Jr.**, 20, Brooklyn, N.Y., Dec. 4, 2001, Arabian Sea

**Petty Officer 3rd Class Benjamin Johnson**, 21, Rochester, N.Y., Nov. 18, 2001, Persian Gulf

**Petty Officer 2nd Class Darrell Jones**, 22, Wellston, Ohio, Oct. 8, 2003, United Arab Emirates

**Lt. Cmdr. Erik S. Kristensen**, 33, San Diego, Calif., June 28, 2005, Afghanistan

**Petty Officer 1st Class Jeffrey A. Lucas**, 33, Corbett, Ore., June 28, 2005, Afghanistan

**Lt. Michael M. McGreevy Jr.**, 30, Portville, N.Y., June 28, 2005, Afghanistan

**Petty Officer 3rd Class Fabricio Moreno**, 26, Brooklyn, N.Y., Oct. 14, 2005, Kenya

**Lt. Michael P. Murphy**, 29, Patchogue, N.Y., June 28, 2005, Afghanistan

**Petty Officer 1st Class Brian J. Ouellette**, 37, Needham, Mass., May 29, 2004, Afghanistan

**Engineman 1st Class Vincent Parker**, 38, Preston, Miss., Nov. 18, 2001, Persian Gulf

**Petty Officer 2nd Class Eric S. Patton**, 22, Boulder City, Nev., June 28, 2005, Afghanistan

**Ensign Jerry O. Pope II**, 30, Tallahassee, Fla., Oct. 17, 2002, Yemen

**Petty Officer 3rd Class Jason Profit**, 23, Charlestown, Ind., March 17, 2003, Red Sea

**Petty Officer 1st Class Thomas E. Retzer**, 30, San Diego, Calif., June 25, 2003, Afghanistan

**Petty Officer 1st Class Neil C. Roberts**, 32, Woodland, Calif., March 4, 2002, Afghanistan

**Lt. Cmdr. Thomas L. Robinson**, 38, Kingston, Mass., Oct. 23, 2002, Bahrain

**Petty Officer 2nd Class James Suh**, 28, Deerfield Beach, Fla., June 28, 2005, Afghanistan

**Cmdr. Adrian B. Swzec**, 43, Chicago, Ill., April 12, 2004, Cuba

**Petty Officer 1st Class David M. Tapper**, 32, Camden County, N.J., Aug. 22, 2003, Afghanistan

**Petty Officer 1st Class Jeffrey S. Taylor**, 30, Midway, W.Va., June 28, 2005, Afghanistan

### Operation Iraqi Freedom — Marine Corps

**Cpl. Roberto Abad**, 22, Los Angeles, Calif., Aug. 6, 2004, Iraq

**Sgt. Mark P. Adams**, 24, Morrisville, N.C., Oct. 15, 2005, Iraq

**Lance Cpl. Patrick R. Adle**, 21, Baltimore, Md., June 29, 2004, Iraq

**Lance Cpl. Christopher S. Adlesperger**, 20, Albuquerque, N.M., Dec. 9, 2004, Iraq

**Lance Cpl. Jeremy A. Ailes**, 22, Gilroy, Calif., Nov. 15, 2004, Iraq

**Capt. Paul C. Alaniz**, 32, Corpus Christi, Texas, Jan. 26, 2005, Iraq

**Lance Cpl. Nickalous N. Aldrich**, 21, Austin, Texas, Aug. 27, 2004, Iraq

**Lance Cpl. Michael J. Allred**, 22, Hyde Park, Utah., Sept. 6, 2004, Iraq

**Cpl. Nicanor Alvarez**, 22, San Bernardino, Calif., Aug. 21, 2004, Iraq

**Cpl. Daniel R. Amaya**, 22, Odessa, Texas, April 11, Iraq

**Lance Cpl. Brian E. Anderson**, 26, Durham, N.C., April 2, 2003, Iraq

**Cpl. Michael D. Anderson**, 21, Modesto, Calif., Dec. 14, 2004, Iraq

**Cpl. Nathan R. Anderson**, 22, Howard, Ohio, Nov. 12, 2004, Iraq

**Lance Cpl. Nicholas H. Anderson**, 19, Las Vegas, Nev., Nov. 12, 2004, Iraq

**Lance Cpl. Norman W. Anderson III**, 21, Parkton, Md., Oct. 19, 2005, Iraq

**Lance Cpl. Levi T. Angell**, 20, Saint Louis, Minn., April 8, 2004, Iraq

**Cpl. Bradley T. Arms**, 20, Charlottesville, Va., Nov. 19, 2004, Iraq

**Chief Warrant Officer Andrew T. Arnold**, 30, Spring, Texas, April 22, 2003, Iraq

**Lance Cpl. Alexander S. Arredondo**, 20, Randolph, Mass., Aug. 25, 2004, Iraq

**Staff Sgt. Jimmy J. Arroyave**, 30, Woodland, Calif., April 15, 2004, Iraq

**Lance Cpl. Trevor D. Aston**, 32, Austin, Texas, Feb. 22, 2005, Iraq

**Maj. Jay Thomas Aubin**, 36, Waterville, Maine, March 21, 2003, Kuwait

**Lance Cpl. Aaron C. Austin**, 21, Sunray, Texas, April 26, 2004, Iraq

**Lance Cpl. Andrew Julian Aviles**, 18, Palm Beach, Fla., April 7, 2003, Iraq

**Pfc. Eric A. Ayon**, 26, Arleta, Calif., April 9, 2004, Iraq



## REMEMBER From A-3

**Lance Cpl. Robert F. Eckfield Jr.**, 23, Cleveland, Ohio, Oct. 27, 2005, Iraq  
**Sgt. Benjamin C. Edinger**, 24, Green Bay, Wis., Nov. 23, 2004, Bethesda, Md., from injuries in Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Justin M. Ellsworth**, 20, Mount Pleasant, Mich., Nov. 13, 2004, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Mark E. Engel**, 21, Grand Junction, Colo., July 21, 2004, from injuries in Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Nicholas B. Erdy**, 21, Williamsburg, Ohio, May 11, 2005, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Sergio H. Escobar**, 18, Pasadena, Calif., Oct. 9, 2005, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Jonathan E. Etterling**, 22, Wheelersburg, Ohio, Jan. 26, 2005, Iraq  
**Cpl. Mark A. Evnin**, 21, Burlington, Vt., April 3, 2003, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Bradley M. Faircloth**, 20, Mobile, Ala., Nov. 26, 2004, Iraq  
**Sgt. Andrew K. Farrar Jr.**, 31, Weymouth, Mass., Jan. 28, 2005, Iraq  
**2nd Lt. Paul M. Felsberg**, 27, West Palm Beach, Fla., Oct. 13, 2004, Iraq  
**Cpl. Tyler R. Fey**, 22, Eden Prairie, Minn., April 4, 2004, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Luis A. Figueroa**, 20, Los Angeles, Calif., Nov. 18, 2004, Iraq  
**Sgt. Michael W. Finke Jr.**, 28, Huron, Ohio, Jan. 26, 2005, Iraq  
**Cpl. Joseph E. Fite**, 23, Round Rock, Texas, Jan. 9, 2005, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Dustin R. Fitzgerald**, 22, Huber Heights, Ohio, Aug. 18, 2004, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Jonathan R. Flores**, 18, San Antonio, Texas, June 15, 2005, Iraq  
**Pfc. Timothy S. Folmar**, 21, Sonora, Texas, Sept. 24, 2004, Iraq  
**Gunnery Sgt. Elia P. Fontecchio**, 30, Milford, Mass., Aug. 4, 2004, Iraq  
**Capt. Travis A. Ford**, 30, Ogallala, Neb., April 4, 2003, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Travis A. Fox**, 25, Cowpens, S.C., Oct. 30, 2004, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Phillip E. Frank**, 20, Elk Grove, Ill., April 8, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Grant B. Fraser**, 22, Anchorage, Alaska, Aug. 3, 2005, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. David K. Fribley**, 26, Cape Coral, Fla., March 23, 2003, Iraq  
**Pfc. Jason L. Frye**, 19, Landsburg, Pa., Oct. 6, 2005, Iraq  
**1st Lt. Travis J. Fuller**, 26, Granville, Mass., Jan. 26, 2005, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Kane M. Funke**, 20, Vancouver, Wash., Aug. 13, 2004, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Jonathan E. Gadsden**, 21, Charleston, S.C., Oct. 22, Tampa, Fla., from injuries received in Iraq  
**Maj. Richard J. Gannon II**, 31, Escondido, Calif., April 17, 2004, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Derek L. Gardner**, 20, San Juan Capistrano, Calif., Sept. 6, 2004, Iraq  
**Cpl. Jose A. Garibay**, 21, Costa Mesa, Calif., March 23, 2003, Iraq  
**Pfc. Juan Guadalupe Garza Jr.**, 20, Temperance, Mich., April 8, 2003, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Dimitrios Gavriel**, 29, New York, N.Y., Nov. 19, 2004, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Cory Ryan Geurin**, 18, Santee, Calif., July 15, 2003, Iraq  
**Cpl. Peter J. Giannopoulos**, 22, Inverness, Ill., Nov. 11, 2004, Iraq  
**Cpl. Christopher A. Gibson**, 23, Simi Valley, Calif., April 18, 2004  
**Cpl. Timothy M. Gibson**, 23, Hillsborough, N.H., Jan. 26, 2005, Iraq  
**Pvt. Jonathan L. Gifford**, 30, Macon, Ill., March 23, 2003, Iraq  
**Cpl. Richard A. Gilbert Jr.**, 26, Montgomery, Ohio, Jan. 26, 2005, Iraq  
**Cpl. Steven P. Gill**, 24, Round Rock, Texas, July 21, 2005, Iraq  
**Cpl. Todd J. Godwin**, 21, Muskingum County, Ohio, July 20, 2004, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Shane L. Goldman**, 20, Orange, Texas, April 5, 2004, Iraq  
**Cpl. Armando Ariel Gonzalez**, 25, Hileah, Fla., April 14, 2003, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Benjamin R. Gonzalez**, 23, Los Angeles, Calif., May 29, 2004, Iraq  
**Cpl. Jesus A. Gonzalez**, 22, Indio, Calif., April 12, 2003, Iraq  
**Cpl. Jorge A. Gonzalez**, 20, El Monte, Calif., March 23, 2003, Iraq  
**Pfc. Jose Franci Rodriguez Gonzalez**, 19, Norwalk, Calif., May 12, 2003, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Victor A. Gonzalez**, 19, Watsonville, Calif., Oct. 13, 2004, Iraq  
**Cpl. Bernard G. Gooden**, 22, Mt. Vernon, N.Y., April 4, 2003, Iraq  
**Staff Sgt. Joseph P. Goodrich**, 32, Allegheny, Pa., July 10, 2005, Iraq  
**Staff Sgt. Anthony L. Goodwin**, 33, Mount Holly, N.J., May 9, 2005, Iraq  
**Capt. Lyle L. Gordon**, 30, Midlothian, Texas, Jan. 26, 2005, Iraq  
**Sgt. James R. Graham III**, 25, Coweta, Okla., Aug. 1, 2005, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Lance T. Graham**, 26, San Antonio, Texas, May 7, 2005, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Jonathan W. Grant**, 23, Santa Fe, N.M., May 11, 2005, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Torrey L. Gray**, 19, Patoka, Ill., April 11, Iraq  
**Cpl. Jeffrey G. Green**, 20, Dallas, Texas, May 5, 2004, Iraq  
**Lt. Col. David S. Greene**, 39, Raleigh, N.C., July 28, 2004, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Jourdan L. Grez**, 24, Harrisonburg, Va., May 11, 2005, Iraq  
**Cpl. Kyle J. Grimes**, 21, Northampton, Pa., Jan. 26, 2005, Iraq  
**Pfc. Christian D. Gurtner**, 19, Ohio City, Ohio, April 2, 2003, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Jose Gutierrez**, 22, Los Angeles, Calif., March 21, 2003, Iraq  
**Pfc. Robert A. Guy**, 26, Willards, Md., April 21, 2005, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Michael J. Halal**, 22, Glendale, Ariz., Sept. 13, 2004, Iraq  
**Pfc. Deryk L. Hallal**, 24, Indianapolis, Ind., April 6, 2004, Iraq  
**Pfc. Andrew Halverson**, 19, Grant, Wis., Oct. 9, 2004, Iraq  
**Cpl. Nathaniel T. Hammond**, 24, Tulsa, Okla., Nov. 8, 2004, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Michael W. Hanks**, 22, Gregory, Mich., Nov. 17, 2004, Iraq  
**Pfc. Fernando B. Hannon**, 19, Wildomar, Calif., Aug. 15, 2004, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Charles A. Hanson Jr.**, 22, Panacea, Fla., Nov. 28, 2004, Iraq  
**Sgt. Bradley J. Harper**, 25, Dresden, Ohio, Aug. 3, 2005, Iraq  
**Staff Sgt. William M. Harrell**, 30, Placentia, Calif., April 8, 2004, Iraq  
**Sgt. Foster L. Harrington**, 31, Fort Worth, Texas, Sept. 20, 2004, Iraq  
**Sgt. Christopher T. Hefflin**, 26, Paducah, Ky., Nov. 16, 2004, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Erik R. Heldt**, 26, Hermann, Mo., June 16, 2005, Iraq  
**Cpl. Matthew C. Henderson**, 25, Lincoln, Neb., May 26, 2004, Iraq  
**Cpl. Joseph J. Heredia**, 22, Santa Maria, Calif., Nov. 20, 2004, Landstuhl, Germany, from injuries in Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Tony L. Hernandez**, 22, Canyon Lake, Texas, Jan. 26, 2005, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Evenor C. Herrera**, 22, Gypsum, Colo., Aug. 10, 2005, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Chad R. Hildebrandt**, 22, Springer, N.M., Oct. 17, 2005, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Eric Hillenburg**, 21, Marion, Ind., Dec. 23, 2004, Iraq  
**Capt. Kelly C. Hinz**, 30, Woodbury, Minn., May 2, 2005, Iraq  
**Sgt. Michael P. Hodshire**, 25, North Adams, Mich., Oct. 30, 2005, Iraq  
**Sgt. Nicholas M. Hodson**, 22, Smithville, Mo., March 22, 2003, Iraq  
**Sgt. Justin F. Hfman**, 27, Delaware, Ohio, Aug. 3, 2005, Iraq  
**Staff Sgt. Theodore S. Holder II**, 27, Littleton, Colo., Nov. 11, 2004, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Matthew W. Holloway**, 21, Fulton, Texas, Jan. 13, 2005, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Jeffery S. Holmes**, 20, White River Junction, Vt., Nov. 25, 2004, Iraq  
**Cpl. Terry Holmes**, 22, Hollywood, Fla., July 10, 2004, Iraq  
**Cpl. Paul C. Holter III**, 21, Corpus Christi, Texas, Jan. 14, 2005, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Brian C. Hopper**, 21, Wynne, Ark., Jan. 26, 2005, Iraq  
**Pfc. Sean Horn**, 19, Orange, Calif., Jan. 19, 2004, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. David B. Houck**, 25, Winston Salem, N.C., Nov. 26, 2004, Iraq  
**Sgt. Thomas E. Houser**, 22, Council Bluffs, Iowa, Jan. 3, 2005, Iraq  
**Staff Sgt. John R. Howard**, 26, Covington, Va., Aug. 11, 2004, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Gregory C. Howman**, 24, Charlotte, N.C., Sept. 15, 2004, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Jared P. Hubbard**, 22, Clovis, Calif., Nov. 4, 2004, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Tavon L. Hubbard**, 24, Reston, Va., Aug. 11, 2004, Iraq  
**Cpl. Barton R. Humhaz**, 23, Heliertown, Pa., Aug. 26, 2004, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Justin T. Hunt**, 22, Riverside, Calif., July 6, 2004, Iraq  
**Master Sgt. Kenneth E. Hunt Jr.**, 40, Tucson, Ariz., Oct. 12, 2005, from injuries sustained in Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. James B. Huston Jr.**, 22, Umatilla, Ore., July 2, 2004, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Seth Huston**, 19, Perryton, Texas, Aug. 21, 2004, Iraq  
**Pvt. Nolen R. Hutchings**, 19, Boiling Springs, S.C., March 23, 2003, Iraq

**Staff Sgt. Kendall H. Ivy II**, 28, Galion, Ohio, May 11, 2005  
**Lance Cpl. Saeed Jafarkhani-Torshiji Jr.**, 24, Fort Worth, Texas, Jan. 26, 2005, Iraq  
**Cpl. Jesse Jaime**, 22, Henderson, Nev., June 15, 2005, Iraq  
**Cpl. Evan T. James**, 20, LaHarpe, Ill., March 24, 2003, Iraq  
**Sgt. William C. James**, 24, Huntington Beach, Calif., Nov. 9, 2004, Iraq  
**Pfc. Ryan M. Jerabek**, 18, Oneida, Wis., April 6, 2004, Iraq  
**1st Lt. Oscar Jimenez**, Spring Valley, Calif., April 11, 2004, Iraq  
**Cpl. Romulo J. Jimenez II**, 21, Miami, Fla., Nov. 10, 2004, Iraq  
**Cpl. Stephen P. Johnson**, 24, Covina, Calif., Jan. 26, 2005, Iraq  
**Staff Sgt. Phillip A. Jordan**, 42, Brazoria, Texas, March 23, 2003, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Thomas O. Keeling**, 23, Strongsville, Ohio, June 9, 2005, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Quinn A. Keith**, 21, Page, Ariz., Sept. 6, 2004, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Bryan P. Kelly**, 21, Klamath, Ore., July 16, 2004, Iraq  
**Cpl. Sean P. Kelly**, 23, Gloucester, N.J., Jan. 26, 2005, Iraq  
**Cpl. Brian Matthew Kennedy**, 25, Houston, Texas, March 21, 2003, Kuwait  
**Lance Cpl. Patrick B. Kenny**, 20, Pittsburg, Pa., Oct. 6, 2005, Iraq  
**Cpl. Dallas L. Kerns**, 21, Mountain Grove, Mo., July 5, 2004, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Shane E. Kielion**, 23, La Vista, Neb., Nov. 15, 2004, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Andrew J. Kilpela**, 22, Fowerville, Mich., June 10, 2005, Iraq  
**Cpl. In C. Kim**, 23, Warren, Mich., Dec. 7, 2004, Iraq  
**Staff Sgt. Dexter S. Kimble**, 30, Houston, Texas, Jan. 26, 2005, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Jeremiah C. Kinchen**, 22, Salcha, Alaska, April 4, 2005, Iraq  
**Sgt. Jeffrey L. Kirk**, 24, Baton Rouge, La., Dec. 12, 2004, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Nicholas Brian Kleiboecker**, 19, Irvington, Ill., May 13, 2003, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Allan Klein**, 34, Clinton Township, Mich., Jan. 26, 2005, Iraq  
**Pfc. Joshua P. Klinger**, 21, Easton, Pa., June 14, 2005, Iraq  
**Cpl. Timothy A. Knight**, 22, Brooklyn, Ohio, Jan. 26, 2005, Iraq  
**Cpl. Zachary A. Kolda**, 23, Corpus Christi, Texas, Dec. 1, 2004, Iraq  
**Cpl. Kevin T. Kolm**, 23, Hicksville, N.Y., April 13, 2004, Iraq  
**Sgt. Bradley S. Korthaus**, 28, Scott, Iowa, March 24, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Ryan J. Kovacicsek**, 22, Washington, Pa., July 10, 2005, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Jared J. Kremm**, 24, Hauppauge, N.Y., Oct. 27, 2005, Iraq  
**Cpl. David Kenneth J. Kreuter**, 26, Cincinnati, Ohio, Aug. 3, 2005, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Jakub Henryk Kowalik**, 21, Schaumburg, Ill., May 12, 2003, Iraq  
**Sgt. Michael V. Lalush**, 23, Troutville, Va., March 30, 2003, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Alan Dinh Lam**, 19, Snow Camp, N.C., April 22, 2003, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Jeffrey Lam**, 22, Queens, N.Y., Nov. 8, 2004, Iraq  
**Sgt. Jonathan W. Lambert**, 28, Newsite, Miss., June 1, 2003, Landstuhl, Germany, from injuries in Iraq  
**Capt. Andrew David LaMont**, 31, Eureka, Calif., May 19, 2003, Iraq  
**Gunnery Sgt. Shawna A. Lane**, 33, Corning, N.Y., July 28, 2004, Iraq  
**Pfc. Moses A. Langhorst**, 19, Moose Lake, Minn., April 6, 2004, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Sean M. Langley**, 20, Lexington, Ky., Nov. 7, 2004, Iraq  
**Cpl. Christopher J. Lapka**, 22, Peoria, Ariz., Oct. 30, 2004, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Nicholas D. Larson**, 19, Wheaton, Ill., Nov. 9, 2004, Iraq  
**Cpl. Jeffrey D. Lawrence**, 22, Tucson, Ariz., July 6, 2004, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Travis J. Layfield**, 19, Fremont, Calif., April 6, 2004, Iraq  
**Cpl. Binh N. Le**, 20, Alexandria, Va., Dec. 3, 2004, Iraq  
**2nd Lt. Ryan D. LeDuc**, 28, Pana, Ill., Sept. 24, 2004, Iraq  
**Cpl. Bum R. Lee**, 21, Sunnyvale, Calif., June 2, 2004, Iraq  
**Staff Sgt. Jason A. Lehto**, 31, Mount Clemens, Mich., Dec. 28, 2004, Iraq  
**Cpl. Michael B. Lindenmuth**, Petoskey, Mich., April 13, 2005, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Karl R. Linn**, 20, Chesterfield, Va., Jan. 26, 2005, Iraq  
**Sgt. Edgar E. Lopez**, 27, Los Angeles, Calif., Aug. 28, 2004, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Hilario F. Lopez**, 22, Ingleside, Texas, Dec. 12, 2004, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Juan Lopez**, 22, Whitfield, Ga., June 21, 2004, Iraq  
**Sgt. Richard M. Lord**, 24, Jacksonville, Fla., Aug. 18, 2004, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Victor R. Lu**, 22, Los Angeles, Calif., Nov. 13, 2004, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Joshua E. Lucero**, 19, Tucson, Ariz., Nov. 27, 2004, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Jacob R. Lugo**, 21, Flower Mound, Texas, Aug. 24, 2004, Iraq  
**Pfc. John Lucak**, 19, Las Vegas, Nev., Oct. 30, 2004, Iraq  
**1st Lt. Matthew D. Lynch**, 25, Jericho, N.Y., Oct. 31, 2004, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Christopher P. Lyons**, 24, Shelby, Ohio, July 28, 2005, Iraq  
**Pfc. Christopher D. Mabry**, 19, Chunky, Miss., April 7, 2004, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Gregory E. MacDonald**, 29, Washington, D.C., June 25, 2003, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Cesar F. Machado-Olmos**, 20, Spanish Fork, Utah, Sept. 13, 2004, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Fred L. Maciel**, 20, Spring, Texas, Jan. 26, 2005, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Blake A. Magoana**, 20, Pearl City, Hawaii, Nov. 29, 2004, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Joseph B. Maglionie**, 22, Lansdale, Pa., April 1, 2003, Kuwait  
**Lance Cpl. Marcus Mahdee**, 20, Fort Walton Beach, Fla., May 9, 2005, Iraq  
**Cpl. Jarrod L. Maher**, 21, Imogene, Iowa, Nov. 12, 2004, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Sean P. Maher**, 19, Grays Lake, Ill., Feb. 2, 2005, Iraq  
**1st Lt. Dan T. Malcolm Jr.**, 25, Brinson, Ga., Nov. 10, 2004, Iraq  
**Capt. John W. Maloney**, 36, Chicopee, Mass., June 16, 2005, Iraq  
**Cpl. Douglas Jose Marencoreyes**, 28, Chino, Calif., May 18, 2003, Iraq  
**Cpl. Gentian Marku**, 22, Warren, Mich., Nov. 25, 2004, Iraq  
**Pfc. Oscar A. Martinez**, 19, North Lauderdale, Fla., Oct. 12, 2004, Iraq  
**Pfc. Francisco A. Martinez-Flores**, 21, Los Angeles, Calif., March 25, 2003, Iraq  
**Sgt. Michael A. Marzano**, 28, Greenville, Penn., May 7, 2005, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Ramon Mateo**, 20, Brentwood, N.Y., Sept. 24, 2004, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. John J. Mattek Jr.**, 24, Stevens Point, Wis., June 13, 2005, Iraq  
**Cpl. Matthew E. Matula**, 20, Spicewood, Texas, April 9, 2004, Iraq  
**Staff Sgt. Donald C. May Jr.**, 31, Richmond, Va., March 25, 2003, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Chad B. Maynard**, 19, Montrose, Colo., June 15, 2005, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Joseph C. McCarthy**, 21, Concho, Calif., Sept. 6, 2004, Iraq

**Cpl. Brad P. McCormick**, 23, Overton, Tenn., Aug. 19, 2004, Iraq  
**Sgt. Brian D. McGinnis**, 23, St. George, Del., March 30, 2003, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Justin D. McLeese**, 19, Covington, La., Nov. 13, 2004, Iraq  
**1st Lt. Brian M. McPhillips**, 25, Pembroke, Mass., April 4, 2003, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Daniel M. McVicker**, 20, Alliance, Ohio, Oct. 6, 2005, Iraq  
**Cpl. Jesus Martin Antonio Medellin**, 21, Fort Worth, Texas, April 7, 2003, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Lawrence R. Phillippon**, 22, Hartford, Conn., May 8, 2005, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. James R. Phillips**, 21, Hillsboro, Fla., Dec. 23, 2004, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Aaron C. Pickering**, 20, Marion, Ill., Nov. 10, 2004, Iraq  
**Pfc. Jason T. Poindexter**, 20, San Angelo, Texas, Sept. 12, 2004, Iraq  
**Cpl. Carlos Pineda**, 23, Los Angeles, Calif., June 24, 2005, Iraq  
**1st Lt. Frederick E. Pokorney Jr.**, 31, Tonopah, Nev., March 23, 2003, Iraq  
**Cpl. Matthew G. Milczark**, 18, Kettle River, Minn., March 8, 2004, Kuwait  
**Cpl. Jason David Mileo**, 20, Centerville, Md., April 14, 2003, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. William L. Miller**, 22, Pearland, Texas, Nov. 15, 2004, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Robert T. Mininger**, 21, Sellersville, Pa., June 6, 2005, Iraq  
**Staff Sgt. Jorge A. Molinabautista**, 37, Rialto, Calif., May 23, 2004, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Brian P. Montgomery**, 26, Willoughby, Ohio, Aug. 1, 2005, Iraq  
**Cpl. James L. Moore**, 24, Roseburg, Ore., Jan. 26, 2005, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Jason William Moore**, 21, San Marcos, Calif., May 19, 2003, Iraq  
**Cpl. Nathaniel K. Moore**, 22, Champaign, Ill., Jan. 26, 2005, Iraq  
**Capt. Brent L. Morel**, 27, Martin, Tenn., April 7, 2004, Iraq  
**Pfc. Gefery S. Morris**, 19, Gurnee, Ill., April 4, 2004, Iraq  
**Pfc. Ricky A. Morris Jr.**, 20, Lubbock, Texas, March 18, 2004, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Nicholas B. Morrison**, 23, Carlisle, Penn., Aug. 13, 2004, Iraq



Sgt. Robert M. Storm

Friends of fallen 2nd Battalion, 3rd Marine Regiment, Marine, Lance Cpl. Phillip C. George, honor him with a traditional open-boot ceremony. George died, Aug. 18, in Afghanistan during Operation Enduring Freedom.

**Lance Cpl. Marty G. Mortenson**, 22, Flagstaff, Ariz., April 20, 2005, Iraq  
**Cpl. Clifton B. Mounce**, 22, Pontotoc, Miss., July 14, 2005, Iraq  
**Pfc. Veashna Muy**, 20, Los Angeles, Calif., June 23, 2005, Iraq  
**Sgt. Krisna Nachampassak**, 27, Burke, Va., July 10, 2004, Iraq  
**Maj. Kevin G. Nave**, 36, Union Lake, Mich., March 26, 2003, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Joseph L. Nice**, 19, Nicoma Park, Okla., Aug. 4, 2004, Iraq  
**Cpl. Dominique J. Nicolas**, 25, Maricopa, Ariz., May 26, 2004, Iraq  
**Cpl. Patrick R. Nixon**, 21, Nashville, Tenn., March 23, 2003, Iraq  
**Sgt. Nicholas S. Nolte**, 25, Falls City, Neb., Nov. 24, 2004, Bethesda, Md. (from injuries in Iraq)  
**Sgt. Byron W. Norwood**, 25, Pflugerville, Texas, Nov. 13, 2004, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Andrew W. Nowacki**, 24, South Euclid, Ohio, Feb. 26, 2005  
**Cpl. Mick R. Nygardbekowsky**, 21, Concord, Calif., Sept. 6, 2004, Iraq  
**Gunnery Sgt. Javier Obles-Prado Pena**, 36, Falls Church, Va., Dec. 1, 2004, from injuries in Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Patrick T. O'Day**, 20, Santa Rosa, Calif., March 25, 2003, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Shane K. O'Donnell**, 24, DeForest, Wisc., Nov. 8, 2004, Iraq  
**Cpl. Brian Oliveira**, 22, Raynham, Mass., Oct. 25, 2004, Iraq  
**Cpl. John T. Olson**, 21, Elk Grove Village, Ill., Feb. 21, 2005, Iraq  
**Sgt. Bryan J. Opskar**, 32, Princeton, Minn., July 23, 2005, Iraq  
**Pvt. Elijah M. Ortega**, 19, Oxnard, Calif., Sept. 26, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Eric James Orlowski**, 25, Buffalo, N.Y., March 22, 2003, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Deshon E. Otey**, 24, Hardin, Ky., June 21, 2004, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. David Edward Owens Jr.**, 20, Winchester, Va., April 12, 2003, Iraq  
**Sgt. Fernando Padilla-Ramirez**, 26, Yuma, Ariz., March 28, 2003, Iraq  
**Cpl. Joshua D. Palmer**, 24, Blandinsville, Ill., Nov. 8, 2004  
**1st Lt. Joshua M. Palmer**, 25, Banning, Calif., April 8, 2004, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Bradley L. Parker**, 19, Marion, W.Va., Nov. 15, 2004, Iraq  
**Cpl. Tommy L. Parker Jr.**, 21, Cleburne, Ark., June 21, 2004, Iraq  
**Sgt. Harvey E. Parker III**, 27, Yuba City, Calif., Aug. 18, 2004, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Brian P. Parrello**, 19, West Milford, N.J., Jan. 1, 2005, Iraq  
**Maj. Alan Rowe**, 35, Hagerman, Idaho, Sept. 3, 2004, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Gregory P. Rund**, 21, Littleton, Colo., Dec. 11, 2004, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Andrew D. Russoli**, 21, Greensboro, N.C., Oct. 20, 2005, Iraq  
**Cpl. Marc T. Ryan**, 25, Gloucester, N.J., Nov. 15, 2004, Iraq

**Sgt. Christopher S. Perez**, 30, Hutchinson, Kan., May 23, 2005, Iraq  
**Pfc. Geoffrey Perez**, 24, Los Angeles, Calif., Aug. 15, 2004, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Nicholas Perez**, 19, Austin, Texas, Sept. 3, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Richard A. Perez Jr.**, 19, Las Vegas, Nev., Feb. 10, 2005, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Neil D. Petsche**, 21, Lena, Ill., Dec. 21, 2004, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Chance R. Phelps**, 19, Clifton, Colo., April 9, 2004, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Lawrence R. Phillippon**, 22, Hartford, Conn., May 8, 2005, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. James R. Phillips**, 21, Hillsboro, Fla., Dec. 23, 2004, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Aaron C. Pickering**, 20, Marion, Ill., Nov. 10, 2004, Iraq  
**Pfc. Jason T. Poindexter**, 20, San Angelo, Texas, Sept. 12, 2004, Iraq  
**Cpl. Carlos Pineda**, 23, Los Angeles, Calif., June 24, 2005, Iraq  
**1st Lt. Frederick E. Pokorney Jr.**, 31, Tonopah, Nev., March 23, 2003, Iraq  
**Cpl. Michael V. Postal**, 21, Glen Oaks, N.Y., May 7, 2005  
**Lance Cpl. Christopher M. Poston**, 20, Glendale, Ariz., Oct. 17, 2005, Iraq  
**Cpl. Chad W. Powell**, 22, West Monroe, La., June 23, 2005, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Caleb J. Powers**, 21, Manfield, Wash., Aug. 17, 2004, Iraq  
**Cpl. Dean P. Pratt**, 22, Stevensville, Mont., Aug. 2, 2004, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Taylor B. Prazynski**, 20, Fairfield, Ohio, May 9, 2005, Iraq  
**Cpl. Brian P. Prening**, 24, Sheboygan, Wis., Nov. 12, 2004, Iraq  
**Staff Sgt. Richard T. Pummill**, 27, Cincinnati, Ohio, Oct. 20, 2005, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Mathew D. Puckett**, 19, Mason, Texas, Sept. 13, 2004, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Louis W. Qualls**, 20, Temple, Texas, Nov. 16, 2004, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Mourad Ragimov**, 20, San Diego, Calif., Jan. 26, 2005, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Carl L. Raines II**, 20, Coffee, Ala., Oct. 6, 2005, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Rhonald D. Rairdan**, 20, San Antonio, Texas, Jan. 26, 2005, Iraq

**1st Lt. Timothy Louis Ryan**, 30, Aurora, Ill., May 19, 2003, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Gael Saintvil**, 24, Orange, Fla., Jan. 26, 2005, Iraq  
**Cpl. Rudy Salas**, 20, Baldwin Park, Calif., May 20, 2004, Iraq  
**Cpl. William I. Salazar**, 26, Las Vegas, Nev., Oct. 15, 2004, Iraq  
**Capt. Benjamin W. Sammis**, 29, Rehobeth, Mass., April 4, 2003, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Efraim Sanchez Jr.**, 26, Port Chester, N.Y., July 17, 2005, Iraq  
**Pfc. Leroy Sandoval Jr.**, 21, Houston, Texas, March 26, 2004, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Jeremiah E. Savage**, 21, Livingston, Tenn., May 12, 2004, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Michael P. Scarborough**, 28, Washington, Ga., Oct. 30, 2004, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. John T. Schmidt III**, 21, Brookfield, Conn., May 11, 2005, from injuries sustained in Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Dustin H. Schrage**, 20, Brevard, Fla., May 6, 2004, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Brian K. Schramm**, 22, Rochester, N.Y., Oct. 15, 2004, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Edward A. Schroeder II**, 23, Columbus, Ohio, Aug. 3, 2005, Iraq  
**Cpl. Nathan A. Schubert**, 22, Cherokee, Iowa, Jan. 26, 2005, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Darrell J. Schumann**, 25, Hampton, Va., Jan. 26, 2005, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Juan E. Segura**, 26, Homestead, Fla., Nov. 9, 2004, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Dustin M. Sekula**, 18, Edinburg, Texas, April 1, 2004, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Matthew K. Serio**, 21, North Providence, R.I., April 5, 2004, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Nazario Serrano**, 20, Irving, Texas, Jan. 30, 2005, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Devon P. Seymour**, 21, St. Louisville, Ohio, June 9, 2005, Iraq  
**1t. Col. Kevin M. Shea**, 38, Washington, D.C., Sept. 14, 2004, Iraq  
**Sgt. Alan D. Sherman**, 36, Brick, N.J., June 29, 2004, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Brad S. Shuder**, 21, El Dorado, Calif., April 12, 2004, Iraq  
**1st Lt. Dustin M. Shumney**, 30, Vallejo, Calif., Jan. 26, 2005, Iraq  
**Pfc. Kenneth L. Sickels**, 20, Apple Valley, Calif., Sept. 27, 2004 Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Dustin L. Sides**, 22, Yakima, Wash., May 31, 2004, Iraq  
**Cpl. Erik H. Silva**, 22, Chula Vista, Calif., April 3, 2003, Iraq  
**Staff Sgt. Chad J. Simon**, 32, Madison, Wis., Aug. 4, 2005, from wounds sustained in Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Abraham Simpson**, 19, Chino, Calif., Nov. 8, 2004, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. John T. Sims Jr.**, 21, Alexander City, Ala., April 10, 2004, Iraq  
**Pfc. Nicholas M. Skinner**, 20, Davenport, Iowa, Aug. 26, 2004, Iraq  
**Staff Sgt. Russell L. Slay**, 28, Humble, Texas, Nov. 9, 2004, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Richard P. Slocum**, 19, Saugus, Calif., Oct. 24, 2004, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Thomas J. Slocum**, 22, Thornton, Colo., March 23, 2003, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Antoine D. Smith**, 22, Orlando, Fla., Nov. 15, 2004, Iraq  
**Sgt. Benjamin K. Smith**, 24, Carterville, Ill., Sept. 22, 2004, Iraq  
**Pfc. Brandon C. Smith**, 20, Washington, Ark., March 18, 2004, Iraq  
**1st Sgt. Edward Smith**, 38, Chicago, Ill., April 5, 2003, Qatar  
**Lance Cpl. Jason E. Smith**, 21, Phoenix, Ariz., Dec. 31, 2004, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Jonathan L. Smith**, 22, Eva, Ala., June 6, 2005, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Kevin S. Smith**, 20, Springfield, Ohio, March 21, 2005, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Matthew R. Smith**, 20, Anderson, Ind., May 10, 2003, Kuwait  
**Cpl. Matthew R. Smith**, 24, West Valley, Utah, Jan. 26, 2005, Iraq  
**Lance Cpl. Michael J. Smith Jr.**, 21, Jefferson, Ohio, April 17, 2004, Iraq  
**Cpl. Raleigh C. Smith**, 21, Lincoln, Mont., Dec. 23, 2004



# Children enjoy birthday traditions

**Cpl. Michelle M. Dickson**  
*Combat Correspondent*

The afternoon was filled with face paintings, food and fun as roughly 100 children attended Marine Corps Base Hawaii, Kaneohe Bay's 5th



Brig Gen. Steven A. Hummer (left), commanding general, applauds as Kaelyn Bridgett (center), 13, the oldest child to attend the 5th Annual Children's Marine Corps Birthday celebration, enjoys her cake after passing a slice to Elizabeth Forkin and her daughter, Ella Forkin, 11 months, the youngest in attendance.

## SALUTE, From A-2

an even number of guns in salute was taken as an indication that a ship's captain, master or master gunner had died on the voyage.

Ships belonging to America began firing 21-gun salutes in 1812 and 1821 in recognition of the number of states — a custom that has carried on to modern times and has been adopted as America's international salute.

After 1841, it was customary for a U.S. president to receive a 21-gun salute, with the vice president receiving 17. Today, however, the vice president currently receives 19.

On Aug. 18, 1875, Great Britain and the United States announced an agreement to return salutes, "gun for gun," making the 21-gun salute the highest national honor.

Today, the 21-gun salute is rendered to the president of the United States, all former U.S. presidents, the president elect,

any sovereign or chief of state of a foreign nation, a member of a reigning royal family, and in honor of the American flag during celebrations on the Fourth of July.

This gun salute is also rendered at noon of the day of the funeral of a president, former president or president elect. Military and civilian leaders of this and other nations also receive the salute.

The 21-gun salute is also fired during military funerals as a final farewell to fallen comrades.

Hawaii, spoke with the children and was on hand for the cake-cutting ceremony, according to Eileen McCallum, Key Volunteer trainer and LINKS volunteer.

"The ceremony was excellent, and General Hummer did a great job explaining some of the Marine Corps knowledge to the children," said the Syracuse, N.Y. native. "A slice of cake was even given to the oldest and youngest child who attended the event."

The celebration took approximately one month to organize and included balloon animals by Adventure Balloons; a martial arts demonstration by Marines from Regimental Schools; a silent drill team demonstration by Marine Air Logistics Squadron 24; photo opportunities with Danno, the base mascot; face paintings; a bouncy house; food; party gift bags; a flag ceremony; and a cake-cutting ceremony.

"Every unit on base volunteered time and Marines to the event," said McCallum. "Everyone was so willing to help out it made planning and working the event really easy."

McCallum said that she hopes to make each birthday cele-

bration bigger every year.

"Our only problem this year was that the area we held the celebration was not big enough to accommodate all of the people who attended," she said. "Next year we hope to hold it somewhere else so we can comfortably take on many more families."

Among the attendees was military spouse Vanessa St. Onge who brought her three children to the event for the first time.

"I heard about the event through the Key Volunteers and thought I would bring my kids out," said the Fayetteville, Ga. native. "My children liked seeing the Humvee and getting their faces painted the best," said Onge. "It was a lot of fun, and I would definitely bring them to an event like this again."

At the close of the celebration, the children stood and sang happy birthday to the Marine Corps after which they were given a cupcake, before calling it a day and going home.

"The day was, all in all, a great success," said McCallum. "Hopefully, the event will only grow bigger every year."

Ella Forkin, 11 months old, walks around with a frosting-covered face after eating a slice of cake as the youngest attendee to the 5th Annual Children's Marine Corps Birthday celebration.



## HUMP, From A-1

are very important, since we'll be humping in the mountains of Afghanistan, tracking down the insurgents. I'm proud of how the Marines performed today. There are some blisters and hurt soles, but that's about it. These guys are tough."

Pfc. Mark Lomax, a 1/3 rifleman, said he couldn't agree more.

"The hump was motivating," said the Philadelphia native. "This is what 1/3 is about. The harder we train, the harder we become. We're hard chargers in 1/3, and the more humps the better — as far as I'm concerned."

In addition to a healthy diet of humps on the agenda, the Lava Dogs will also be conducting various other sustainment-training evolutions in Hawaii before deploying to Afghanistan.

"We don't want to lose the edge on all the outstanding training we received in Bridgeport and Twentynine Palms," said 1st Lt. Kevin Frost, platoon commander, 3rd Platoon, Charlie Company, 1/3, referring to the Lava Dogs' recently completed six-week predeployment training exercise at the Marine Corps Mountain Warfare Training Center, Bridgeport, Calif., and the Marine Corps Air Ground Combat Center, Twentynine Palms, Calif. "In addition to all the humps we have planned, we will also be running squad-size ranges so we can build on the techniques we learned in California, as well as long-distance marksmanship ranges, where Marines will shoot from 500 meters and beyond. Some of the marksmanship training will be on terrain that is uphill and downhill, since we will most likely find ourselves in those types of situations in the mountainous terrain of Afghanistan."

"We're on a very compressed time line," added the Zeeland, Mich., native. "We've got to be harder than the enemy. It takes hard training to do that. There is a lot of motivation going around. Charlie Company, along with the entire battalion, is a great team. I'm confident we've trained for success. We will be ready."

For the immediate future however, all the Marines seemed to echo one sentiment. "I'm going to rest my feet this weekend — and sleep," said Pfc. Joe Craig, a 1/3 heavy-equipment mechanic from Houston, immediately following the 15-mile hump. "These blisters suck, and my feet are burning pretty good right now. Still, it was a motivating hump."

"My feet and legs are hurting," added Pfc. Jacob Crocker, a 1/3 rifleman, who added that he wasn't going to do anything but "kick back" the weekend after the hump. "That hike was at a solid pace the entire time. There were no letups. I thought the Marines did an outstanding job."

Others said they were going to do more than just rest their aching bones — but not much more.

Seckers said he was going to take the wife to see "Chicken Little" and that's about it. Zechman commented that he thought he'd get some sun on his pale body at the beach and soak his feet in the ocean.

On Monday though, after a much-deserved weekend break, it was back to business for 1/3.

"I've done two tours in Iraq, one of them in Fallujah with 1/3, and I can tell you that this battalion knows what we're training for," said Dennis. "Nobody's complaining about the heavy sustainment training load we're carrying right now, because we all know we're going to fight the way we train. I can promise you we're going to fight pretty good, too."

## TREE, From A-1

Morton, journalist turned editor, used his newspaper as a medium to educate his audience about agriculture, encouraging the planting of trees. Morton later became secretary of the Nebraska Territory, and on Jan. 4, 1872, proposed a tree-planting holiday which is today known to all as Arbor Day. Then, on April 10, 1872, Nebraskans celebrated the first Arbor Day by planting an estimated one million trees. By 1874, April 10 was officially recognized as Arbor Day, and the following year, Arbor Day was made a legal holiday in Nebraska, with April 22, Morton's birthday, selected as the date Arbor Day was to be celebrated.

Passing legislation, other states began their tradition of celebrating Arbor Day in the 1870s, with the tradition continuing to schools, nationwide, in 1882. The most common date to celebrate the day is the last Friday in April; however, some states celebrate during their best tree-planting seasons. In Hawaii, however, Arbor Day is celebrated on the first Friday in November.

Hawaii's first Arbor Day was celebrated on Nov. 3, 1905, with the planting of an Earpod tree on the corner of Kamehameha Avenue and Manoa Road.

## HSL-37, From A-1

proved Thailand's reputation as the land of a thousand smiles."

After leaving Thailand, the detachment began operations within the Navy's 5th Fleet area of responsibility and headed for the Gulf of Oman where they supported Operation Enduring Freedom, sending its helicopters to locate and identify suspected smugglers and provide coverage for the ship's Visit, Board, Search and Seizure teams. In early July, the detachment provided armed helicopter coverage while Chafee transited the Straits of Hormuz and entered the Arabian Gulf, where they were to spend the next three months on station.

While in the Gulf, the Rounders joined Task Force 58 in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom, and provided air coverage and protection for the Iraqi Oil Terminals, Al Basrah Oil Terminals and Khawr Al Amaya

Oil Terminal. Of vital importance to the future of Iraq, the oil that is pumped through the terminals accounts for more than 97 percent of Iraq's oil exports and more than 80 percent of the country's economy.

The Rounders made two port visits to Bahrain while in the 5th Fleet AOR. After being relieved in the Northern Arabian Gulf by their sister detachment, HSL-37 Det Four, embarked aboard USS Chosin, Det One headed south to participate in the MALABAR Exercise: an international exercise with ships and a diesel submarine from the Indian Navy. During the exercise, the Rounders had the opportunity to operate from several different Indian Navy ships, including the Indian aircraft carrier INS Viraat.

Following the exercise, the detachment and Chafee split from the rest of the strike group and enjoyed a day of liberty in Goa, India, before beginning

their transit to Australia and the 7th and 3rd Fleet area of responsibility.

The detachment finished its overseas visits with stops in two Australian ports: Darwin, in the Northern Territory, where they spent four days in "the outback" and Townsville, on the eastern coast of Queensland, where much of the detachment got the chance to dive the Great Barrier Reef.

With a brief stop for fuel in Pago Pago, Samoa, the detachment made its long trip to Hawaii for a welcomed reunion with friends and loved ones.

During the calendar year, the detachment flew more than 800 flight hours, including 400 hours in support of operations Enduring Freedom and Iraqi Freedom. The backbone of the detachment was the sharp maintenance team led by Chief Petty Officer Michael Choplin, detachment chief; Chief Petty Officer Ariel Eustaquio, assistant leading chief petty offi-

cer; and Petty Officer 1st Class Zane Garrison, leading petty officer; who directed and supervised more than 6,000 maintenance actions on their two SH-60B Seahawk helicopters, Easyriders 61 and 62, keeping them up and flying.

Detachment maintenance personnel conducted four engine changes, four major phase-maintenance inspections, and worked more than 15,000 man-hours to support detachment flight operations, enduring temperatures in their hangar and on the flight deck of well over 110 F. In the words of Petty Officer 2nd Class Martinez, "It was so hot, Satan tapped out."

After their six-month deployment, and more than one year of being assigned as an air department connected with Nimitz Strike Group, the Rounders of HSL-37 Detachment One are happy to be back in beautiful Hawaii with their families.

they do an exceptional job at using the system."

Though the base units that participated in the drill passed the situation easily, unit officials said they are already discussing how to do an even better job next year.

"We're going to start planning for next year, because there is a lot that we could improve on," said Levi. "We'll hold classes to review each role, because you have to refresh yourself every once in a while."

The last incident that occurred on K-Bay was in 2000, when a fuel-tank truck overflowed and 300 to 500 gallons of fuel went into the bay, said Owens. But due to the base's quick response and effective planning, it took only two days to clean up the spill.

"If something should happen here," began Miles, "Marine Corps Base Hawaii would know how to respond to it."

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